

DIVISION OF CUSTOMER SERVICES
CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS
NURSING ASSISTANT ADVISORY BOARD

3 CAPITOL HILL
CONFERENCE ROOM 104
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Tuesday, July 12, 2016

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Maria Barros, RN
Teresa Chopoorian, EdD, MS, RN
Rose Gardner, CNA, MAD
Jessica Marcaccio, RN, BSN
Donna O'Connor, RN, M.Ed.
Dianna Shaw, Asst. Living Residential Administrator, Nursing Home Adm.
Susan Von Villas, RN, BS

BOARD MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Denice Duncan, LPN – No call, no show
Michael Garrity, RN, MSN

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Arlene Hartwell, Board Manager

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Emily Trieber, Roger Williams University Legal Intern at DOH

1. Establishment of a quorum

A meeting of the Nursing Assistant Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 104, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. A quorum was established and the Open Session meeting was called to order at 9:20 AM on a motion by Susan Von Villas and seconded by Teresa Chopoorian. Motion carried.

2. Presentation of the May 10, 2016 Open Session Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Jessica Marcaccio and seconded by Donna O'Connor to accept the Open Session minutes of May 10, 2016. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Open Session minutes as presented. Motion carried.

3. Board Manager Report

- Arlene Hartwell reported to the board that RI averaged 73% pass rate according to the National Nurse Aide Assessment 2015 Technical Report.
 - i. The board expressed interest in improving the pass rate through it's efforts to standardize Nursing Assistant Training Program curriculum while re-writing the regulations for licensure.
- The regulations work group will meet on August 16, 2016 at 9:00. Arlene Hartwell will upload the previously proposed changes to the web file repository for board members to review securely.

4. Old Business

- A site visit will be scheduled for Lifetime Medical
- The following Nursing Assistant Training Program applicants were approved for licensure
 - i. New England Medical Training Institute
 - ii. Homefront Health Care

5. New Business

- Application for licensure as Nursing Assistant Training Program
 - i. New England Emergency Medical Training RI, Inc.
 - 1. Board requests additional information.

6. Motion to adjourn to Closed Session

Motion was made by Donna O'Connor and seconded by Susan Von Villas to adjourn to Closed Session at 9:50 AM. Motion carried. Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(4) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct.

7. Motion to return to Open Session

Motion was made by Teresa Chopoorian and seconded by Donna O'Connor at 11:58 AM to re-open the Open Session and to seal the Minutes of the Closed Session pursuant to Sections 42-46-4, 42-46-5 and 42-46-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws. Motion carried.

8. Final Actions on all votes taken in Closed Session

- The board reviewed and approved 1 application, denied 1 request for exemption; and proposed action on 22 cases.

9. Adjournment

The next Nursing Assistant Advisory Board meeting will be held Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room 104, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Motion was made by Dianna Shaw and seconded by Donna O'Connor to adjourn at 12:10 PM. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Arlene Hartwell
Board Manager
Center for Professional Boards and Commissions